



## CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

October 3, 2007

### **H.R. 3375**

#### **An act to extend the trade adjustment assistance program under the Trade Act of 1974 for three months**

*As cleared by the Congress on September 25, 2007,  
and signed by the President on September 28, 2007*

#### **SUMMARY**

H.R. 3375 (enacted as Public Law 110-89) extends the authority to collect certain customs user fees and appropriates \$9 million to the Department of Agriculture (USDA) for its trade adjustment assistance program for farmers. It also shifts certain corporate estimated tax payments from 2013 and 2012.

CBO estimates that H.R. 3375 will increase direct spending by \$9 million over the 2008-2012 period and reduce direct spending by \$1 million over the 2008-2017 period. The Joint Committee on Taxation (JCT) estimates that the act will increase revenues by \$155 million in 2012 and reduce revenues by \$155 million in 2013 for a net change of zero over the 2008-2017 period.

#### **ESTIMATED COST TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT**

The estimated budgetary impact of H.R. 3375 is shown in the following table. The costs of this legislation fall within budget functions 350 (agriculture) and 750 (administration of justice).

By Fiscal Year, in Millions of Dollars												
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2008- 2012	2008- 2017
<b>CHANGES IN DIRECT SPENDING</b>												
Trade Adjustment Assistance for Farmers												
Budget Authority	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	9
Estimated Outlays	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	9
Extension of Certain Customs User Fees												
Estimated Budget Authority	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-10	0	0	0	-10
Estimated Outlays	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-10	0	0	0	-10
Total Changes												
Estimated Budget Authority	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	-10	0	0	9	-1
Estimated Outlays	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	-10	0	0	9	-1
<b>CHANGES IN REVENUES</b>												
Shift Certain Corporate Estimated Tax Payments	0	0	0	0	155	-155	0	0	0	0	155	0

Sources: Congressional Budget Office and Joint Committee on Taxation.

Note: Positive changes in revenues and negative changes in direct spending correspond to decreases in budget deficits.

## Direct Spending

The act appropriates \$9 million to USDA for its trade adjustment assistance program for farmers. CBO estimates that those funds will be spent in 2008.

Under prior law, the authority to collect customs user fees—known as COBRA fees—would have expired on September 30, 2014. H.R. 3375 extends the authority to collect those fees through October 7, 2014. CBO estimates that this provision will increase offsetting receipts by \$10 million in fiscal year 2015.

## **Revenues**

H.R. 3375 shifts revenues between 2012 and 2013. For corporations with at least \$1 billion in assets in 2012, the bill increases the portion of corporate estimated tax payments due in July through September of that year. JCT estimates that this change will increase revenues by \$155 million in 2012 and decrease revenues by \$155 million in 2013.

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